EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with James Napoli on 12/18/06.

The application has been amended as follows:

Cancel claims 16-17.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Co-pending application 10/460,068 does not disclose or suggest claimed amino functional polysiloxanes. In the co-pending application, the allowed claims have amino functional polysiloxane. The amino functional polysiloxanes in the co-pending application also has the moiety B attached to A and moiety C is attached to B and in the co-pending application the sum of x1, x2 and x3 is between 10-3000. Due to the differences between the amino functional polysiloxanes, the claims are not obvious over the claims of co-pending application 10/460,068.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JYOTHSNA A. VENKAT Ph. D whose telephone number is

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571-272-0607. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 10:30-7:30:1st Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, MICHAEL WOODWARD can be reached on 571-272-8373. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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